

Northfield.

MYRTLE SHORTIDGE has been having a severe run of typhoid.

COMMUNION services will be held at the Methodist church next Sunday.

ABOUT 1,500-2,000 postage stamps were sold at the post-office last week.

FROM October 1st to April 1st, the Good Templars' lodge meetings will be held at seven P. M. instead of seven and one-half.

THE regular session of the Congregational society will be held at the church prior to this (Wednesday) afternoon and evening.

THE new books and extensions of the library will be ready for delivery Saturday. The first reading of the new books will be disposed of by auction.

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SNOW to the depth of four or five inches fell last week Tuesday and a few slight rides were taken for the novelty of the thing. Considerable damage was done to trees by the weight of the damp snow.

PARTHENOPE, it may not be generally known, saw an article of commerce here. E. A. Kimball pays twenty-five cents apiece for them in dressed, and ships quite a number with his poultry every week.

BANK EXAMINER HENDERSON was in town Friday looking over the affairs of our national bank. The extent of the cashiers' powers is not yet made public, but as he is not a man to do things by halves, we are expecting great developments.

AT the school lecture last Wednesday the old question in regard to the man, the squirrel and the tree was taken up. One showed a picture demonstrating that the tree went around the man and squirrel. In future the attendance at the lectures will be limited to members of the society.

C. H. EATON from Champlain, N. Y., has been in town the past week. He came back to settle his father's estate by selling the farm in Hardwick. Mr. Eaton reports a prosperous and growing business in the foundry and machine shop there, of which Mr. Ely still has charge.

A CABINET, the work of J. B. Shortridge, has been put into room No. 6 at the school building for the keeping of specimens collected by the Avesis club. Quite a number of minerals and insects and a few birds are already in position. Ex-Governor Proctor gave some fine specimens of marble.

AS Mr. E. G. Washburn and wife of Springfield, Mass., were returning from West Randolph to this town last week the lady lost her gold watch. They advertised it and waited at the Northfield house to hear from it. The watch was found by Lucy Ladd of East Roxbury and restored to the owner who suitably rewarded her.

REV. W. S. HAZEN, pastor of the Congregational church, goes this week to Concord New Hampshire, to attend the national triennial council of the denomination. On account of his absence there will be no morning service at the church next Sunday. Sunday-school will be held at twelve o'clock and prayer meeting at half past six.

THE young people of the Methodist society have organized a home missionary society with the following officers: President, Nellie Winch; vice-presidents, Myrtle Shortridge, Ella Newcomb, Mamie Pearson, Lita Tenney; treasurer, Jessie Abbott; corresponding secretary, Ellen Mead. There is some talk of uniting with the foreign missionary society previously organized.

THE school reception Friday evening was as usual a very pleasant affair. Instrumental music by Libby Whitmarsh and Mary Austin, recitations by Myrtle Jones and Maggie Holton and a French play by the members of Miss Chase's French class constituted the literary entertainment, and after partaking of "liquid and solid refreshment" dancing was enjoyed by those so disposed. Then terms were given to those instituted at the suggestion of our enterprising principal, are proving a very attractive feature and the recipients of invitations consider themselves fortunate.

INTELLIGENCE was received Saturday evening of the death of Charles P. Kimball, an old resident of this town who has been for about three years in Mexico. Mr. Kimball had recently taken a contract of a man named Morse to build a portion of the Mexican Central railroad and both were at the front superintending the work. Feeling unwell after he had been in this place about a week, Mr. Kimball started to return to the camp some distance away, grew rapidly worse on the way, stopped at a Mexican hamlet and died September 13th, of a fever common in that section. Mr. W. D. Taylor, chief engineer of the Mexican Central, and Mr. Kimball were at work, learned of his death. The only paper which gave any clue to his residence in our country was a traveling card from Northfield lodge of Odd Fellows, which Mr. Taylor at once forwarded to the secretary of the lodge with the particulars of Mr. Kimball's death as above. The remains were buried near the place where he died. His wife and daughter are prostrated by this sudden bereavement and have the warm sympathy of their large circle of friends.

C. W. EMBERTON returned last Thursday from Ohio where he has been giving temperance campaign lectures. Mrs. Page of Boston came to town last week. C. A. Edgerton left last week Tuesday for Boston and New York. His wife's sister, Mrs. Newcomb, went with him to Fitchburg. Mrs. Milburn and her daughter went to Boston last Wednesday to purchase fall millinery. Mrs. Gregory and Thomas Averill left yesterday for Chicago. Mrs. Bettie Randall of St. Albans has been visiting Miss Lizzie Knapp. Mrs. Flanagan has returned from Salem Depot, N. H., where she spent the summer and her health is entirely recovered. Mr. Crane was in Boston last week buying fall goods. J. H. Hilditch is visiting friends in Massachusetts. Mrs. J. A. S. White returns this week to Claremont via Montpelier, where she will remain a few days on the way.

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Williamstown.

NOW that the Vermont Central railroad's last autumn is "lawing it" has been let all the towns from Barre to Royalton rise up and work for the building of the road between these towns. That is the way to get it.

Mrs. ALVIN SMITH, now in her eightieth year, has made out a list of the "coken" Martin stock, and before modern days and ways had sapped it of any of its original toughness.

Good farmers sometimes differ materially about modes of profitable farming. Henry Martin, whose success entitles him to be heard, says he never buys foreign feed or grain for stock, and that when he can't raise his own grain he'll sell out.

We hear it estimated that several inches of snow must have fallen here last week Tuesday, though it melted so fast, it would be difficult to say just how much did fall. Travel was seriously impeded in places by the loaded branches of trees along the roads.

RUNS the old adage, that land tickled well with the hoe will laugh with a harvest. Newell Farham "tickled" a quarter of an acre of land with a good feed of manure and phosphate, and doubling with the hoe, he got it laughed with a harvest of one hundred and twenty-five bushels of potatoes. And Mr. Farham "laughs" too.

We sincerely hope many of our townsmen will begin to plan to have Professor Church's reading in Barre, early next month. Especially ought our teachers and young people who are aiming at being good readers, to hear him. We of the pleasure of an early acquaintance with Professor Church and know him to be a born artist as well as a sinner perfected one.

THE harvest service at the Congregational house last Sunday evening was well attended, and was a pleasant one, as it ought to be a profitable service. Rev. G. L. Wells was in the pulpit with Pastor Schofield, and his people, with those of the Universalist society, were liberally present. We heard, surprise freely expressed that the common grain and vegetables and fruits could be made to present such a really beautiful appearance as they did on the pulpit platform and about it. The fine taste of Mrs. Harry Cheney, Fannie Martin and Corrie Hill, with the capital help of Jos. Schofield and Frank Barnes, the committee of arrangements, is the secret of it on the side of art.

Appropriate Scripture readings, abounding with illustrations from farm life, prayer, singing, and a good sermon by Rev. Mr. Schofield on the text, "joy in harvest"—found in Isaiah lx: 3—filled the hour. Surely we Vermonters have a joyful heritage.

ON Monday morning of last week there was a meeting of the Methodist board of stewards to hear and consider the report of their committee appointed to investigate the subject of the Edson Martin farm that had been sold to the society. From one of this committee we learn that the high legal authority consulted, thought the farm could be sold in spite of the demand of the will, though how valid a title could be given, if sold, might be questionable. But this same legal authority advised that the farm be not sold, even as a matter of private profit to the society. The society's committee report in favor of retaining the farm and renting it. It is one of the very best farms in our town and will likely be in demand as soon as it is offered for rent. It is known that Mr. Martin before making his will, weighed the matter carefully of whether he would allow the farm to be sold after his death, and the money therefore be invested as a perpetual fund for the benefit of the society, or have it kept forever and the use of it go to the society. He decided upon the latter course. After his death, as might be expected, the question arose in the society whether it would not have been better for the society if Mr. Martin had chosen the former plan, and at once there was a division of opinion, and naturally enough, an investigation made to see whether the farm was as good as he sold, and if it was, it would be no violation of the spirit of the will, "it would be," as advocated by one side. But there are those who feel, on the contrary, that a man who has sold his property as did Mr. Martin, had a right to say in just what manner it should be used, and that if nothing had come up since his death that he could not have foreseen to materially change the aspect of things, it would be morally wrong to accept the gift, only in his carefully chosen way.

DR. CORNELIUS LYNDE of Waterbury was in town over Sunday. Amasa Wells of Stowe has been visiting his brother, Rev. G. L. Wells. A meeting of several sisters called one of them, Mrs. Chester Martin, to Champlain, New York, last week. Mrs. Dana Dickerson, of Boston is visiting her sister-in-law, Mrs. Harte (Dickerson) Hubbard. Friends of our ex-Minister, Mrs. J. Edwards, in Amesbury, Missouri Valley, Iowa, are rejecting in the prospect of a visit from her son, George Beckett, varied the monotony of life by a visit to the city of Boston last week. Mr. and Mrs. James Martin go to central New York this week for a fortnight's absence. They will visit J. Wright Briggs' family at Newark, N. Y.

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Marshallfield.

REV. MR. SPENCER preached at the Methodist church last Sunday evening to a good audience.

MRS. EDSON YORK returned home from Nebraska last Friday, where she has been visiting several months.

MISS SALLY MERRITT, eighty-one years old last March, has made thirty-nine chills the past week, besides the general housework in a family of three.

A GAME of base ball here last Saturday between our boys and Boltonville resulted in a tie in the game, but our boys think the Boltonville boys beat them in a moral and loud talk.

THE promenade at Cabot was well attended and a good time enjoyed. Next Saturday night the boys hold forth at our hotel hall. To-morrow (Thursday) evening they go to Pascham to fill an engagement there for a promenade.

THE ladies' sociable of the Universalist church will be held in their vestry next week Thursday evening when some entertainment will be given on the stage, and cake and coffee will be served. The ladies will be present to add their mite to the pleasure of the occasion.

NELSON C. BENIS has raised from two ounces of the Welcomes oats, sixty-six and one-half pounds. From one seed he had forty-four bushels of wheat. The average height was five and one-half feet and some measured six and one-half feet, the longest head being twenty-four inches. Who beats?

ABOUT fifty friends of Freeman Sanborn called on him Monday night by invitation and proceeded to hunk out a quantity of corn and then to adjourn to the house for a social time. Among the friends were the band who woke the echoes of that region with some of their music, and which cake and coffee were served, when a right good time was spent by all. It was pronounced a good time by all.

DR. FARNWORTH of this town has removed a wart cancer from the face of Peeres Newell of Danville after an unsuccessful attempt by other physicians to remove it with caustic. It was burned six times in two weeks. Twice he was under the influence of ether eight hours each time. He employed Dr. Farnworth and on one and one-half days the cancer was killed, and on one and one-half days it was in a bottle. He treated a Mr. Whitcomb of Washington successfully and is now treating a Mr. Hall of same town. He uses no caustics in any form.

Orange.—Mr. Quincy, a gospel worker, is holding evening meetings at the church this week. It is expected he will conduct religious services next Sunday.

THE line fence between Martin Waterman and A. S. Martyn is in litigation. It is said that Fred Harriman, who is acting as Martyn's agent in the matter, claims that Waterman has committed trespass and intends having the line established to his satisfaction.

S. M. CURTIS was badly hurt last Thursday morning while helping Francis Curtis unload a cart filled with pumpkins. Mr. Curtis was thrown from the cart and the pumpkins crushed him in the chest by being caught between the cart and the pumpkins. He is now in a bad way, but he may recover from his injuries in time, but at present he is seriously ill.

ON Wednesday night, while S. M. Curtis and wife were away attending the fair at Bradford, a man effected an entrance to their house and proceeded as far as the cellar-way, when the noise he made awoke Orville Curtis who was in charge of affairs during their absence. The house breaker, upon hearing Curries, made an attempt to escape, but he was not so quick as he thought, and he was recognized as he was leaving the house.

WILHELM CUTLER has gone to Plainfield to work in his brother's girl mill during the winter. He is teaching in the Baldwinville district. He is quite sick at his father's. R. E. B. Bard recently purchased a very nice pair of forty-four ounce of William Gals of Barre. Julia Noyes is quite sick at her father's, L. C. Noyes. Minnie Huse supplies her brother, Dr. Worthen's for the present. E. P. Dana and wife spent Sunday at S. M. Curtis'. Mr. and Mrs. Kendall Beard are visiting relatives in Randolph.

EAST ROXBURY.—Rev. L. W. Brigham spoke Sunday morning from the text, "I am the way." The attendance was eighty-five.

A. J. BOYCE found his meat-saw quite convenient while returning home last Tuesday, and the trees that broke with the heavy burden of snow.

L. A. EASTMAN reports a good yield of potatoes. He picked four that weigh six pounds, and thought by a little palstalking he could have done better.

LUCY LADD received five dollars as a reward for her kindness in restoring the gold watch that she found in the woods. Mrs. E. G. Washburn of Springfield, Mass.

TUESDAY, October 23, was a day to be remembered, as nearly four inches of snow fell, and a sleighing for a few hours, which was enjoyed by several of the citizens of this place.

JACOB WARDNER has recently shingled his house. The horse sheds are completed and were sold Saturday, the choice money amounting to about fifty dollars. Mr. and Mrs. Lewis satisfied. Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Wardner and Lewis Steele are to visit the Hub. Mrs. Betsey Gilchrist of Ohio visited her sister, Mrs. S. H. Allen, last week. Addie L. Paige's health is somewhat improved, so that she is able to ride out.

NORTH THETFORD.—The Congregational church had its communion last Sunday. Mr. Day giving some excellent remarks. A collection was taken for the Vermont domestic missionary society.

CHARLES STETSON is going to travel, because it is a boy and not a girl. We are glad for his sake.

THE largest beet yet seen was raised by Will Henry in his garden, weighing eight and three-fourths pounds.

MR. JACQUITZ still continues repairs on his house in the way of new rooms and dormer windows on the ell.

THIS week has brought back all those who took advantage of the excursion to the Hub, and there are two more yet to be stockpiled.

W. C. PRIME, editor of the New York Journal of Commerce passed the night on his way home from the Mountains last week.

SUSAN ROBINSON, who has been sick the past year with a cancer, died last Saturday. Her mother was from the church Monday, Rev. Mr. Butler in attendance.

IN a few days our village will have a long needed want in the way of a steam grist mill. In future people will not be obliged to go at least four or five miles to mill, as formerly.

WARREN.—Snow fell in this town October 23, to the depth of six inches. Those farmers whose grain is uncut (fortnightly we know of) but one in that predicament must have looked and felt blue.

MRS. GEORGE CURTIS has had a shock of paralysis. She has been sick for many months, and her friends are deeply regret that this great affliction has come to her. Since Mr. Curtis' horse ran away, throwing him from the carriage and injuring him seriously.

MR. AND MRS. E. W. SLAYTON and Mr. and Mrs. Dan Hilditch, who are going to Danvers, Mass., are visiting at Barre. St. Albans and Montpelier. Mrs. Hilditch is making a week's visit at Judge Ridd's. Mrs. Emerson has gone to Claremont, to spend a few weeks with her daughter, Mrs. Charles Fitch. started for Florida last week.

ROXBURY.—James Albin had business elsewhere and did not go to Montpelier to be tried for burglary last Monday. The manner in which this case has been conducted by the state is severely criticized in this town.

HON. W. H. H. Bingham was in town on Friday. Merritt C. Wiley goes to Danvers, Mass., on Tuesday. Mr. and Mrs. M. E. Chase are visiting at Barre. St. Albans and Montpelier. Mrs. Hilditch is making a week's visit at Judge Ridd's. Mrs. Emerson has gone to Claremont, to spend a few weeks with her daughter, Mrs. Charles Fitch. started for Florida last week.

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J. M. PERRY is in market selecting goods for his fall and winter trade.

ARTHUR MARTIN has resumed his old position at Perry & Co. in Barre.

NAT WITTEN left here on the noon train yesterday for Boston and Portland on a short business trip.

FRED FISHER has closed his work for J. B. Chamberlain and may now be found at the store of R. L. Clark.

OVER one hundred and sixty excursion tickets for Boston were sold at our station last Wednesday and Thursday.

GEORGE P. BOYCE was in market last week, selecting clothing and such goods as the people will find necessary for winter wear.

C. E. STOW returned to Boston last week, and may be found at Jordan & May's, being floor-walker and overseer in the blanket and quilt department.

MRS. M. A. DOUGHERTY and her four children, who have been stopping at W. A. Perry's, have returned to their home in West Newbury, Mass., last Friday.

MR. WHEAT, a tramper on the quarry mat with quite a painful accident last week, his leg being caught between two large pieces of granite. It was thought at first his leg was broken, but Dr. Worthen was called who pronounced no bones broken, though it was a very bad bruise.

Mrs. FLORA H. AVERILL of Northfield is advertised to read in the hall Saturday evening. She recently gave a reading in Groton, Conn., and a highly appreciative friend, who is present, writes: "Should she come again, we have no hall that would seat those who would wish to hear her."

PROFESSOR B. M. HICKLEY, elocutionist, was to give readings and recitations at the town hall Monday night at eight o'clock, but at that time, although the hall was well lighted and warmed, there was not a baker's dozen in to hear the renowned professor and consequently the programme was indefinitely postponed.

NEWBURY.—Rev. Mr. Bard of Oxford, N. H., recently made an exchange with Rev. S. L. Bates of the Congregational church of this town.

MRS. PARKER BAILEY was buried last week Tuesday. She was the mother of William U. and Henry W. Bailey of this town.

QUARTERLY meeting services were held at the Methodist church last Monday. Rev. P. N. Granger was present, and preached in the morning at the street, where forty-eight people of the sacrament, and at West Newbury in the afternoon, where forty-nine came to the house of tables.

DAN T. FORD and family are in Boston this week, also James Smith. Mrs. Emma Manning Hantley of Boston gave one of her popular readings at the Methodist church Friday evening, October 6th. Frank Prescott has returned to Lowell, Mass., after spending several weeks in town. Osgood Wheeler and family have moved into the house of the late Charles Henderson. John Walcott and family from West Newbury are in town. They went several years ago. Quite a number of students enter the seminary this week, for the last half of the term. Mrs. Titus joined the Methodist church last Sunday. Wilbur Worthen and family have moved into Ezra Clark's house on Pine street. Ezra Clark has moved to St. Johnsbury.

TUNBRIDGE.—Jonas Brigham has returned home, his mother being much better.

DR. E. J. FINE is taking care of the patients of Dr. Chaffee of South Stratford while the doctor is in New York.

G. A. MCDONNELL has gone to Boston and expects to go to Nova Scotia after returning, in the interest of the Mudgett estate.

THE reported selling of some diseased meat by one of the butchers running a cart to this town, has stirred up much feeling.

WM. B. MARSTON and John D. Marston, who have been visiting friends here for a few days, returned to their home in Randolph Monday and Mrs. C. W. Rolfe accompanied them.

THE Reynolds sisters with their father have gone to Chester to play at a G. A. R. fair. They played, by invitation, at the residence of Hon. J. S. Morrill in Stratford last Saturday.

A. M. SILVER of Burlington, an agent for A. L. Co. of this place, was taken suddenly ill during the fair and is now at M. H. Cushman's quite ill with rheumatic fever.

SHARON.—Sharon demands that Stratford shall assist in maintaining his only bridge, although but a small part of the business goes to Sharon depot. Commissioners W. E. Johnson of Woodstock, Henry Safford of Hartford and J. C. Deane of New Britain have heard the evidence in the case, and examined the premises on three days of last week. Poor Stratford is hard beset. Both Norwich and Hartford make still stronger claims upon her treasury because of the use of their roads and bridges.

DR. A. B. SMITH has fully decided to remove to Alabama, leaving us about the 23rd of this month. Pulmonary weakness both of himself and his wife, strongly demands the change, he thinks to make his home, carriage, and furniture at auction next Saturday. Dr. C. C. Dewey of East Randolph will supply his place here, and will occupy apartments at "Squire Hyde's."

CHARLES F. AVERY has put up a street lamp in front of his house. Adeline Clark has sold the Wm. B. Hazleton place at South Stratford to S. F. Frary. Arthur W. Pierce removed to South Royalton in a few days. Born October 4, a daughter to Joshua Carpenter, Jr., and wife.

CORINTH.—The lawsuit of John C. Holt of Westborough against F. P. Eaton, administrator of the C. C. Smith estate, has been continued.

OCTOBER 23rd snow fell to the depth of four inches, loading trees, and doing a good deal of damage to forest as well as fruit trees. In places the roads were made almost impassable by the limbs and the bending over. Wednesday people were out enjoying a sleigh ride. October 23rd, 1883 snow fell and remained until the next spring in some places. Eighty years ago some of the older inhabitants claim, snow fell October 23rd and remained through the winter. A large share of the potatoes are still in the ground.

DAN SMITH and family of New York left his home last Thursday. The farm trade between L. Porter and Barstow fell through. Corydon Fellows lost or recently, Joseph Quimby of West Corinth has completed his basket shop and is ready to supply baskets on short notice. Lyman Porter is building a new house at Post Mills. Mr. J. H. Simms and wife of Massachusetts, former residents of the town, have been visiting friends here recently.

BROOKFIELD.—The snow storm of last week did considerable damage to fruit trees.

MRS. TRACY CUTLER is to deliver a free lecture on woman suffrage at library hall on Thursday evening, commencing at half past seven o'clock.

FRANK AINSWORTH has bought Asa Smith's farm and is to take full possession in December. Mr. Smith has purchased Mrs. Mayhew Freeman's house, and will move into that when he leaves his farm.

MRS. REUBEN PECK has been dangerously ill the past week with pneumonia. E. M. Crane has gone to West Randolph to take charge of Mrs. Griswold's millinery while she goes to market. Ethel Morse is home from the White Mountain. J. T. Morse, Jr. and Walter Morse were in town over Sunday. W. C. Clark's boarders took their departure last week. W. H. H. Clifton is at work upon the church organ. Joseph Morse and his sister, Widow Benton Flint, have been visiting in town.

ELY.—The weather seems to be the most exciting topic just now, and the conversation is this: If it is so cold as this in October, how cold will it be in winter?

MR. CAZIN has got up a new scheme, which may prove a lot to the great Mississippi Law scheme, for making money without capital.

MR. SARGENT, the treasurer of the milling company, has gone home to Corinth. Mr. Ely has returned to Mr. Bigelow's, in West Fairlee where he may spend the winter. Dr. Simpson is working for the Massachusetts life insurance company and will make this his home for the present.

CRAFTSBURY.—A Randall had the misfortune to fall one day last week and sprain his shoulder, so he is carrying his arm in a sling.

HOWARD and Leavitt are building an addition to their business. Our new meeting house, which will soon have its store open to the public. He is putting in some very necessary repairs. Dwight Holton has gone to Wolcott to work in the store of Jones & Cummings. Mrs. Charles Hoyt is in Massachusetts visiting friends.

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REV. S. C. EATON offers his farm at Mackville for sale, and also a woodlot in Woodbury.

FIRST snow of season October 23, first ice of consequence October 24th, temperature October 23rd, 23°; 7th 24°. This is rather cold and perhaps unprecedented for so early in the season.

L. D. HATHAWAY, Esq., has been in Boston the past week inspecting the great exhibitions in progress there. He reports them much superior for some time, but is now in a fair way for recovery.

CLARA STANFORD, daughter of Jonathan Stanford, fell down stairs on Friday last and sustained serious injuries. She was unconscious for some time, but is now in a fair way for recovery.

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